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A LEGEND OF FRANCONIA.

Who, in this age of knowledge and refinement, has not heard of the 'Alps,' the 'Andes,' the 'Falls of Niagara,' and perhaps thousand other wonders of nature, at a distance, with astonishment? And how many of us grand, sublime and picturesque a character, in our own vicinity escape notice altogether. The northern portion of New Hampshire presents as many wonderful productions of nature as any other part of the globe.

Here it is that the traveller for pleasure can spend weeks, and each succeeding day will present him with something new upon which to gratify his curiosity.

There are the 'White Hills,' between two of which is the 'Notch,' a pass in many places merely wide enough for a road, where on one side the eye follows down a rugged and uneven precipice several hundred feet, while on the other, the mountain towers aloft almost as high as the eye can reach. The pass or Notch was the scene of a calamity of no ordinary occurrence. Here, remote from all civilization, lived a family of ten persons, who, by a slip from the mountain, were buried beneath the ruins, not one escaping to tell the fearful tale! Some twenty miles distant is the 'Franconia Notch,' being like the former a narrow pass between the mountains. These mountains have been generally supposed to be considerably inferior to the 'White Hills,' but recent surveys prove them to be but little below them in grandeur.

If the beauty of nature is what the traveller seeks, here he finds it in all its primitive grandeur. Here he finds Nature's works in shapes and forms that not only interest and instruct him, but wrap him in wonder and astonishment. Three miles from the Village, he finds himself in a beautiful forest, unbroken but by the hand of nature. Three miles more, and he is at the 'top of the Notch,' where on one hand towers the lofty mountain, and on the other expands the 'pond,' of some one hundred acres, whose glassy surface sparkles in the rays of a noonday sun, interrupted only by the pike or a trout, sporting in its native element, or darting away to secure the unwary insect that has exposed itself within his reach. Half a mile further he finds himself at the door of an elegant and richly furnished house of entertainment, called the 'Lafayette House.' Here he puts up, as a matter of course, where he receives all the attention and luxuries of a city hotel. Near the house he sees a sign pointing to the summit of one of those lofty mountains. He casts his upturned eye in the direction and is struck with amazement and wonder! He gazes upon a bold and precipitous mountain, one side of which slopes off gradually, the other is composed of loose craggy rocks, piled one upon the other almost perpendicularly, to the height of many hundred feet, and at that vast height he beholds the features of a human face, standing out in bold relief, as perfect as if formed by art! This is the celebrated 'Profile' or the 'Old man of the Mountain,' probably one of the most wonderful productions of nature. Directly below is another pond, nearly as large as the other, and known as the 'Old Man's wash basin,' on the bank of which winds the road, which the traveller pursues through scenery of the most wild and grand character, (surpassed by none save that of Switzerland) for four miles, when he finds himself on the brink of the 'Basin,' a round space worn into solid stone the depth of thirty or forty feet, and about the same in diameter, perfectly round and smooth; into it the water from the Old Man's Wash Basin plunges, and after making several evolutions, escapes at the lower side. Another mile, and he is at what was formerly called the 'Notch House,' occupied by a family who deprive themselves of all the advantages of a civilized life, and live in this secluded spot, amid the wild beasts of the forest, to entertain the benighted traveller, or point out the curiosities of the mountains. Here he leaves the road, and threads his way through bushes and brambles about a half a mile to the 'Flume,' a natural canal, cut through the solid rock, and through which the waters pass with gradual and easy descent.

This flume is perhaps seventy or eighty rods long, fifteen or twenty feet wide, and the walls varying from fifty to a hundred feet in height. The beholder is struck with astonishment, wonder and awe, and involuntarily exclaims, 'How wondrous are thy works, O! God!' and sinks into insignificance before the sublimity of Nature. Such are some of the curiosities of New Hampshire.

But what readers this Notch of far greater interest is the legend connected with the Old Man's Wash Basin.

It is many years since, but not the less true, that in the vicinity of Boston resided an elderly man, his daughter and an old domestic called Harry, who, when Mr. Morris, from wealth and influence, was reduced to penury and want, refused to leave him, but chose rather to share his fortune, whatever it might be. Mr. Morris was

early in life thrown upon the world a destitute orphan, but by the most strict regard for honesty, economy and morality, had risen to wealth, and stood high in the esteem of his fellow men. In his youthful day he married a girl every way worthy of him, and with her husband she ascended from the lower walks of life, to their exalted station in society, and witnessed the homage paid him by those who a few days before would scarcely speak to the humble mechanic, unless to employ him by way of trade. From this humble stage they advanced by one step after another, till they were looked up to as the most wealthy and respectable family in Boston. No enjoyment is without alloy, and so with them, Mrs. Morris for several years had enjoyed but imperfect health. She was aware that she must soon leave this world, but her affections were placed upon another and a better. She knew that the destroyer had fastened upon her in the shape of that dire complaint so prevalent in New England, the consumption, and she knew too, that every day was making more sure the grasp.

Death to the mind daily renewed by grace, has no terrors; and daily she renewed her conveniences with her maker. She feared not the grave, for she had the hope of immortality beyond it. She had but one wish to live, but one tie that bound her to earth. That was her family; her husband and an only child, a daughter, then on the 'sunny side of sweet sixteen.' Hannah, as she was called in honor of her parent, had not thus far been brought up under the instruction of this excellent mother, without having impressions stamped upon her heart, never to be effaced. She was a dutiful child, the pride of her parents, and beloved by her associates—endowed by nature with an amiable disposition, and highly cultivated by her parents. When child she was at times elated by her amusements, almost to rudeness, but her mother needed only to look and say, 'Hannah, now remember,' to restore her to silence, or her wonted quiet.

Hannah was her constant attendant. All day would she sit by and converse with her, or read to her, and at night recline her weary limbs upon the same couch, ready at the least moment to anticipate and administer to the wants of the invalid. Every day convinced her that the separation was nearer. And could she give up? As surely. She felt that the will of God, and not of self, must be done, and that if he deprived her of her best earthly friend, he would not leave her alone, for he promised to be a father to the fatherless. She felt, too, that the separation would be but transitory; that they would soon meet where separations are not known. It was the greatest loss she could sustain. But why complain? What was her loss was her mother's gain. The night before Mrs. Morris's death she suffered the most excruciating pain, but not a murmur escaped her. She conversed freely with her husband, daughter and domestics—told them she was about to try the solemn realities of eternity, and urged it upon them, as her last request, to live in the love and fear of God, and prepare themselves a passport to meet her in Heaven; then commanding them to the care of him who is able to save, expired without a groan. During the last few days of Mrs. Morris's sickness, Mr. Morris had appeared more melancholy and depressed than usual, which was attributed to family troubles. The evening after the consignment of the remains of Mrs. Morris to the tomb, he called the rest of his family around him, seated upon the sofa, his bible upon the stand, and his spectacles on it as usual. Nothing uncommon was observed in appearance, except heavy long drawn sigh. Raising his head from his hand, upon which for a moment it had been allowed to rest, in his calm and sedate manner commenced: 'Troubles; it is said, never come singly, and with me the saying is verified. Mrs. Morris is dead, and I am a ruined man.'

All stared in amazement. 'This holy book,' he continued, 'informs us that riches take to themselves wings and fly away. So it has been with mine. I am now without a penny, and to-morrow must leave this house, now the property of another. You, my faithful servants, must serve other, and may they be more faithful masters. I have provided you all with good situations, as you will see by this, at the same time handing Harry a paper, 'but you, my daughter, God only knows what will become of you.'

'He will not desert us,' said Hannah, who sat absorbed in almost mute despair. 'Has not my dear mother often cautioned us thinking too much of this world's goods? She has left us, your property is gone—but are you not left, and is not George yet our friend?'

'I am left, it is true,' said Mr. Morris, 'but I really fear that the rich and aristocratic relatives of George will never consent to his union with the daughter of a beggar.'

'Oh, God forbid!' ejaculated Hannah, but as the mother's oft repeated 'now remember' rang in her ear, she added 'They will be done.'

She felt the truth of her father's remark, but summoning her fortitude, she inquired,

'What is the extent and cause of this sudden change in your circumstances? father?'

'The extent, he replied, 'is to my utmost startling, and the cause was merely my befriending Tom Andrews who was in trouble.'

'Wishing to observe the golden rule, I put my name to notes for a large amount, presuming that they would be promptly met, but Tom has not since been seen. The notes fell due three weeks since, and I fear my whole estate will fail of satisfying my creditors. I had anticipated a competency for my declining years and a good portion for you'

when George was out of his time, but now I am destitute, and to-morrow must leave this our home, and where to go I know not. I have provided for all the servants, but you Hannah—'

His voice failed, tears ran down his cheeks, and he was silent.

'My dear father,' said Hannah, 'do not thus grieve; I am young and healthy, and do not only know how to do many kinds of work, but thank Heaven, have the disposition. You recollect the cottage we called at, with the occupants of which mother was so delighted? Harry was telling the other day that they had removed to New Hampshire, and who knows but we can hire it?

'Perhaps we can rent it, but who will pay?' said Mr. Morris.

'I will,' said Hannah. 'Yes, dear father I will pay it. You have been the author of my existence, fed, clothed and educated me, now I will support and cheer you in your declining years.'

'Harry,' said Mr. Morris, 'will you step over in the morning and see if Mr. Franklin will let me the cottage without the prospect of receiving a cent for it?'

'Most willingly, sir,' said Harry.

'Let us pray,' said Mr. Morris. They all knelt. He commenced his address to the Throne of Grace in a trembling and faltering manner, but as he proceeded, his soul warmed, and ere he arose he was perfectly restored to his wonted calmness, and bidding them good night he left the room.

Hannah retired to her chamber, her heart filled with the most dire forebodings and apprehensions. Her father's remarks concerning George disturbed her more than all else. She had long and ardently loved him, and her affections were not misplaced. 'Yes,' communed she with herself, 'his relatives are rich, haughty and proud, but will they separate us? Oh, if they knew the force of true love, and that we are pledged to one other in the most sacred terms, they would not, may, could not separate us. Such were her feelings that sleep fled from her eyes, and no longer able to restrain them, she arose and seated herself by the window, where she gave way to them in tears. How long she thus remained absorbed in reflections of the most bitter character, is unknown; but at length she was aroused by a familiar voice. But a single word was uttered, and yet the voice caused her heart to leap—'Hannah!' again sounded in her ear, and before she was aware of it she was folded in the arms of her lover. They were soon seated upon the sofa, so recently occupied by Mr. Morris.

'You look pale, George,' said Hannah, 'are you ill?' 'Not ill in body,' he replied, 'but ill at ease in mind. For two weeks past I have known of your father's misfortune, but dared not communicate it to you. You now know the worst and I can no longer delay. My uncle has this day heard of your father's disgrace, as he calls it, and has in the most positive manner, forbid me from seeing you more, or in any way having intercourse with the family. To be short, I feel that without you life would be insupportable, but with you I can bear the frowns of a heartless world. Now if you will accompany me, we will this night bid adieu to our native land, and in some foreign clime travel the journey of life in sweet companionship.'

'But my father,' said Hannah, 'are you ill?'

'No, George, that can never be. He will never consent to be the means of disinheriting and banishing you to distant lands, away from friends and home.'

'Friends and home!' said George. 'I have no friend but you, and where you are there is my home, and will you not go with me?'

'No, George, it would be wrong. Bitter indeed are the thoughts of separation, but more so to make you miserable for life, and be the daily witness of it. I have promised to cheer thy father through his trouble, and I am confident, he would never consent to involve you in difficulties.'

'My God!' said George, 'and is this the result of my last resource? and yet I admire your decision. I am wrong in suggesting such an idea; but forgive me, Hannah; my mind is confused and my feelings drive me mad. Your calmness reproaches me; will you pardon me? Did you ever ask in vain?' replied Hannah.

'Then may God's blessing ever attend you, and slipping a miniature into her hand he disappeared.'

'When the family assembled at breakfast, Mr. Morris appeared more melancholy than usual.—Hannah's swollen eyes and pale cheek showed want of rest and a troubled spirit.'

'Well,' said Harry, 'Mr. Franklin says you may have the use of the cottage, and he is happy to have it in his power to be of any service to you. He further says he shall be in town about noon to-day, and will be pleased to convey you both to the cottage.'

'Thank him,' soothed Mr. Morris.

'He says, for fear of wounding your delicacy, he will not say welcome, but begs that you will pay what, and when, convenient.'

About noon Mr. Franklin's carriage stopped at the door, and Mr. Morris and Hannah with heavy hearts, took leave of their native home forever.

'They were soon established in their new home which Mr. Franklin made as comfortable as possible. They were seating themselves at their first meal, prepared by Mr. Franklin's servant, when in came Harry.'

'Bless me!' exclaimed Mr. Morris, 'I thought you were at Mr. Linton's.'

'No,' said Harry, 'Mr. Linton is a good man, but Mr. Morris is a better; and shall I, in the hour of adversity, desert the friend who has been so kind to me? Never. Your fortune is mine, whatever may come.'

Mr. Morris could only utter 'be it so.'

For a few weeks Mr. Morris's time was divided between his daughter at the cottage and his affairs at the town. At the end of that time he had arranged his business to the satisfaction of his creditors, and found himself in possession of a surplus of nearly four hundred dollars.

Every thing being satisfactorily settled at town and idleness being no favorite of his, he purchased a horse and cart, and filled it with what we Yankees call notions, and set off for Vermont in the humble capacity of a pedlar.

At that time there was but a narrow pass through the Notch, and for the distance of eleven miles, not a trace of a human being appeared, except the path so narrow and uneven that it was with the utmost difficulty one could get through. But through his course led him, and with the rising of the sun he left the last habitation, and about noon arrived at the 'Profile,' where clearing a space among the leaves, he gave his horse some provender, and seating himself upon a stone, partook of his bread and cheese, washing it down with a draught from the pond, with as good an appetite as when seated at his richly spread table in town. After his horse was sufficiently refreshed he set off again, but it was dark ere he emerged from the wood, and found himself on the spot where now stand the 'Iron-works'; where then a single settler had made a 'pitch,' and where he put up for the night. We need not follow him on his journey. Sufficient it is, that at the end of two months he returned, having made it so profitable that he continued the business for four years, always passing thro' the Notch, and always dining with The Old Man of the Mountain.

These four years were passed by Hannah and Harry at the cottage, or rather where the cottage had been, for Mr. Morris's success, together with Harry's industry and Hannah's economy, had enabled them not only to purchase the situation,

but to erect a neat and commodious dwelling.

Here Hannah spent her time attending to her household affairs, her garden, and her little village flock.

She was endeared to them, and the old and young folks looked upon her as a pattern of innocence and purity.

He has left the perplexities of this life,' said she, 'but he sees my lone and unprotected situation. And oh! my dear, departed mother, if thy spirit is permitted to protect thy daughter, thou also knowest her second bereavement. But why should I mourn? His spirit has gone to join hers and unitedly will they watch over and protect their daughter from the evils and temptations of the world.' And soon, I trust, I shall meet them in a world of happiness.'

Harry did not bear his master's death with so much fortitude. He stamped and raved like a madman, declaring it his only wish, that he had driven the dirk to the murderer's heart.

'Remember,' said Hannah, 'that God has said

that thou shalt not kill, and in sparing his life, you have preserved your hands bloodless, and we have discovered the fate of my poor father.'

Next day Harry and Hannah, accompanied by Mr. Franklin, set out for the Notch, to give the remains of Mr. Morris a decent burial. On the third day they arrived at the blood-stained spot.

It was a pleasant day, and the Old Man looked pleasantly upon them, as if no bloody tragedy had been enacted within his precincts.

They readily discovered the spot where the horse was drowned, but not the least trace of the body could they find.

After exploring every nook and corner, and spending several hours in useless search, they were reluctantly compelled to prepare for their return, concluding that the body had been devoured by some of the ferocious beasts that inhabit those vast forests.

Some few weeks after her return, Hannah, having fatigued herself in the garden, was seated beneath the branches of her favorite tree. Her thoughts reverted to the loneliness of her situation. She could not forbear calling upon her parents to witness her troubles.

'Unhappy child that I am,' said she, 'without friend in this wide world! Oh, that I might be allowed to join my beloved parents. But I am alone! My greatest comfort is the belief that my parents are far more happy than they could be here, and that I shall soon be permitted to join them. If I had but a single friend, I could wait with patience. Oh, George, my long lost George, where art thou? Has thy spirit joined those of my parents? Oh that mine was there also.—What a happy meeting! I come, Father, Mother, George, I come.'

'Hannah!' said a voice behind, and turning to see from whence it came, 'George!' was all she could utter.

Reason, for a time, forsook its throne, and she, who had borne up under so many afflictions, lay senseless in the arms of her lover!

When she awoke to consciousness, she found herself upon her bed, and George administering such remedies as were at hand, and poor old Harry flying round like one void of sense.

'It is George. It is no delusive dream,' said she.

'No,' said George, 'it is no dream, but your own George, and you know not the pleasure I have experienced within the last half hour, to find by your confession that I am not forgotten.'

'Forgotten,' said Hannah, 'do you imagine

that woman's love is so treacherous as to forget

the object of her affection in four years?

Do you suppose that when the female heart is once

fixed upon a worthy object, it ever forgets? But old Harry, you know not the days and nights of misery I have experienced on your account.'

'I know it all,' he replied, 'and I come now to bleed a damaged character, and

LEGISLATIVE SYNOPSIS.

TUESDAY, July 16.

In Senate—Passed to be enacted—Bills to unite the Boston and Maine Rail Road Extension Company with the Boston and Maine Rail Road; in addition to an act to incorporate the Kennebec and Portland Rail Road Company; to incorporate the Seabrook and Long Pond Steam Navigation Company.

In Senate—Mr Dunn called up the Bill relating to Bowing Alley. He moved to amend the bill by striking out the removal of the seat of Government. [The bill provides that after the 1st Dec. next, the seat of Government shall be removed from Augusta to Portland, provided the city of Portland shall furnish the State with public buildings more suitable than the present State House.] The bill was referred to a special committee of the Senate, consisting of Messrs Bellamy, Thompson and Thurston.

Mr Hodgdon called up the Bill relating to Bowing Alley. He moved to amend the bill by striking out the title and inserting an act additional to an act to incorporate the City of Portland—and further to amend by striking out all the enacting clause, and inserting a new bill which provides that the city government of Portland may prohibit the creation of alleys therein, or impose such restrictions upon them as may be judged necessary.

Mr Hastings opposed the amendments, because he desired that other towns should be protected in respect to Bowing Alley as well as the city of Portland.

The amendments were adopted. Mr Hastings moved to recommit the bill with instructions to report the same in a new draft. The motion was opposed by Mr Hodgdon, and lost—8 to 14. The bill then passed to be engrossed, as amended, 11 to 5.

Mr Bellamy called up the Bill to establish a Board of Education in this State. The amendment proposed by Mr Dunn, and the question, was on the passage of the bill to be engrossed. Mr Allen addressed the Senate at length in opposition to the bill. Mr Bellamy followed in a few remarks in favor of the bill. Mr Barrett proposed to amend so as to regulate the pay of the members of the Board at \$150 per day—lost. Mr Barrett proposed further to amend by providing that the number of the superintending school committee who shall constitute the county meetings for the choice of the Board of Education, shall not exceed three for each town—lost. Mr Bursley proposed to amend by reducing the salary of the Secretary of the Board from \$1000 to \$700—lost. Mr Hastings proposed to amend by reducing the salary of the Secretary to \$500—lost. Mr Porter, of Somerset, proposed to amend by providing that the Board shall hold its meetings at Waterville instead of Augusta—lost. Mr Gore proposed to amend by providing that the Board shall be elected by conventions held in each Congressional District instead of the county—lost. The question then returning on the passage of the bill to be engrossed, Mr Knowlton addressed the Senate at length in its favor, and in reply to Mr Allen. Mr Barrett proposed to amend by reducing the salary of the Secretary of the Board to \$600—lost. Mr Hastings said he should be compelled to vote against the bill, because he believed the Board was made too large and the salary of the Secretary too high. He should be in favor of the bill if it was amended in these particulars. Mr. Gore moved to lay the bill on the table—lost. The yeas and nays were then taken, and the bill passed to be engrossed, 20 to 8.

Mr Dunn, by leave, laid on the table, a Bill ordering the removal of the seat of government to Portland, which was once read and to-morrow assigned.

In the House—Nothing of interest except the election of U. S. Senator, the result of which was given in our last number.

FRIDAY, July 17.

In Senate—Bill additional to an act providing for the election of Representatives to Congress (providing for election by plurality of votes on second trial) was considered, and so amended as to provide for election on the first trial, and then passed to be engrossed.

The bill to amend the 160 chapter of the Revised Statutes, (relating to the disinterment of human bodies) was debated, and finally indefinitely postponed.

Bill additional to chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, and Bill ordering the removal of the seat of Government, were laid on the table.

Reserve in favor of Plantation Letter A., No. 2, in the County of Oxford, was once read and to-morrow assigned.

In the House—On motion of Mr Levensaler an order was passed appointing Messrs Levensaler, Otis and Hersey, with such as the Senate may join, to visit the State Prison and inspect its affairs, with power to examine witnesses, and call for books, papers, &c.

SATURDAY, July 18.

In Senate—Reserve in favor of Plantation Letter A., No. 2, Oxford County, was passed to be engrossed.

The order in relation to an investigation into the affairs of the State Prison, was called up, and indefinitely postponed. Subsequently, Mr Knowlton moved a reconsideration of the vote, the motion prevailed, and the order passed. Messrs. Gore, Knowlton, and Mason, were joined to the Committee.

In the House—Bill additional to an act providing for the election of Representatives to Congress, was read and Thursday next assigned.

The bill to restrict the sale of intoxicating drinks was taken up and Wednesday next assigned for its consideration.

On motion of Mr Barnes the Committee on Finance was directed to inquire into the expediency of appropriating and making provision for the distribution of the annual school fund accruing the present year, that the same may be distributed in the month of Feb next.

On motion of Mr Chadwick, the Committee on Finance was directed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Treasurer of State to invest a portion of the money now in the Treasury in undivided State, City, or United States stocks, if the same can be made on terms that in his opinion will be for the interest of the State.

Bill to amend the 160 chapter of the Revised Statutes, relative to the disinterment of human dead bodies, was received from the Senate indefinitely postponed. The House refused to concur, yeas 25, nays 25. The bill was then passed to be enacted.

Bill relative to Bowing Alley was amended and passed in concurrence.

Bill to establish a Board of Education was read the third time. Mr Friend, of Etna, moved to amend the same so that the Board should meet at Portland instead of Augusta. The same gentleman also submitted other amendments, one reducing the proposed salary of the Secretary from \$1000 to \$400. The bill was then laid on the table and Tuesday next assigned—on motion of Mr. Hayden.

MONDAY, July 20.

In Senate—Order from the House, directing the Committee on License Laws to report the whole number of petitioners for an alteration of said laws, was passed in concurrence.

Bill to amend chapter 109 of the Revised Statutes, came from the House, that body non-concurring the Senate in its indefinite postponement, and passing the same to be engrossed. Mr. Gore, who desired time to present a new bill, which he hoped would meet the approbation of the Senate, and, on his motion, the subject was laid on the table.

Bill to incorporate the Maine Baptist Education Society, was passed to be enacted.

In the House—Finally passed, Bills, additional to incorporate the city of Portland—making further provisions for costs in cases of usury—in relation to fugitives from justice—resolving making an appropriation for the repair of the Canada road.

TUESDAY, July 21.

In Senate—Mr Dunn called up the bill ordering the removal of the seat of Government. [The bill provides that after the 1st Dec. next, the seat of Government shall be removed from Augusta to Portland, provided the city of Portland shall furnish the State with public buildings more suitable than the present State House.] The bill was referred to a special committee of the Senate, consisting of Messrs Bellamy, Thompson and Thurston.

Mr. Knowlton, by leave, laid on the table a series of Resolves, approving of the course of the U. S. Government, in relation to the war with Mexico, and commending the bravery of the American Army in the battles of the 8th and 9th of May. The Resolves were once read and to-morrow assigned.

Resolve in favor of certain non-commissioned officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war and the widows of deceased officers and soldiers, was called up, the question pending being Mr Dunn's motion to amend by striking out that portion of the resolve relating to widows. Mr D. withdrew his amendment, and proposed, in lieu thereof, to amend by providing that widows, to be entitled to the benefits of the resolve, must have been married to a revolutionary soldier prior to the year 1794. The amendment was adopted. The yeas were 15, nays 9, and the resolve passed to be engrossed.

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Commissioners' Notice.

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SETH B. NEWELL,
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This preparation will be found on trial, to be a sure and safe remedy for the diseases enumerated above. They purify the blood, secure regular digestion, promote a healthy action of the Liver and Stomach, and strengthen the nerves, at once securing health and vigor to the whole system. In all cases of dependency, arising from Indigestion or Nervous irritation, it has been used with remarkable success; nor are there less used as a remedy for Headache, Flatulence, Loss of Appetite, and a variety of the system. At the same time, it must be stated, that the two former diseases, and all dangers in their operation, occurring, as they do, in the body, are a steady, regular and easy influence. Taken daily, in doses as prescribed, they will be found to operate in that gentle and salutary manner, which is, in fact, their highest recommendation.

The following certificates, among many others which have been received from the most respectable sources, furnish satisfactory proof of the value and efficacy of this highly popular medicine.

Sandwich, Sept. 4, 1844.

MR. E. THORNTON, JR. Dear Sir—This is to certify that my daughter has been troubled with Dyspepsia for a number of years, attended with almost constant indigestion and other distressing symptoms which the justly celebrated physicians of this city, all to no purpose. By the administration of Dr. Wood's Sarsaparilla and Wild Cherry Bitters, prepared as per your directions, the use of a few bottles, and after taking one bottle she was relieved entirely of her malady, and after taking two or three bottles, the other symptoms entirely disappeared.

N. B. GIBBS, North Fairhaven, Long Plain, June 16, 1845.

MR. E. THORNTON, JR. Dear Sir—My daughter has been for more than two years afflicted with a confirmed Disease of the Liver, together with a severe and constant indigestion. During this time, she was constantly attended by the most skilful and intelligent physicians, but with little or no relief, until I removed the disease by rapidly taking the form of consumption. At this time I determined to have recourse to Dr. Wood's Sarsaparilla and Wild Cherry Bitters, as prepared by you, and it gives me the sincerest pleasure to say, that the use of a few bottles of your Sarsaparilla and Wild Cherry Bitters, before taking one bottle she was relieved entirely of her malady, and after taking two or three bottles, the other symptoms entirely disappeared.

Very truly yours, ANSEL WHITE.

The cure described in the above certificate of Mr. White, is by no means a singular one. There are hundreds who have been cured from the most acute and long continued disease by the use of this excellent and highly popular remedy.

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The preface concludes with a warning against advertising medicines, would not be merited if based on this.

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